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Reclamation of the Zuyder-Zee.

From the Bulletin of the Bureau of Agriculture.

The reclamation of the Zuyder-Zee has long been contemplated by the Dutch people and Government, in whom the hereditary instinct of conquest from the sea still survives. At the late session of the legislative body an appropriation was made for soundage and survey. It is now proposed to reclaim about half the surface of the inlet designated as the Zuyder-Zee by some geographers, or the whole of it according to others. An enormous dike, 40 kilometers or 24.85 miles long, is to be constructed from Kampen, near the mouth of the Yssel River on the eastern shore, to Enkhuizen, on the western shore. The dike is to be 23 feet above the water surface, with an upper parapet 13 feet high and 10 feet wide on the top, sloping down to an exterior berm or bench 16 feet wide and 6 feet above the water. An interior berm will serve first as a tow-path to a canal, and afterwards as a track for a railway after the reclamation shall have been finished. The dike will cost 53,000,000 francs, or over \$10,500,000, and the entire expense of the whole work is estimated at 180,000,000 francs, or \$37,200,000, allowing a value of one-tenth of a British pound sterling for each florin. The area embraced in the project is about 481,864 acres, of which 46,950 acres will be needed for highways, canals, basins, &c. The remainder, 434,914 acres, will represent the amount of land disposable at a cost of about \$200 per acre. Last November, the Government sold 875 acres of land reclaimed from Wykmeere, at an average of \$1,051 per acre. At this rate per acre the National Treasury would receive a prompt reimbursement of the expense with a surplus of 100 per cent, or a clear profit of \$370,000,000. This, however, is somewhat excessive, but the surplus could scarcely be less than \$200,000,000. There is a difference of opinion as to the time necessary to complete the work, the estimates varying from twelve to sixteen years. The average depth of the Zuyder-Zee is stated at 4½ meters, or about 14½ feet, and the total volume of water to be detained at over 7,500,000,000 cubic yards. A steam machinery of less than 10,000 horse power could expel the water within the embankments within two years. The new province of Zuyder-Zee will be the tenth province of the kingdom, and will cover an area of 753 square miles, a little less than two average counties of Ohio. It will constitute about one 18th of the surface of Holland. It will be a welcome addition to the productive area of this industrious kingdom, and will add greatly to the national wealth and resources.

The Iron Duke.

The British Iron-Clad Iron Duke in a Position of the Most Imminent Danger.

(From the New York Herald.)

LONDON, Nov. 21.

The "Daily News" special reports as follows: Her Majesty's ship Iron Duke, of Vanguard collision notoriety, was almost lost yesterday when she was three miles outside of Plymouth for a trial of her machinery.

A SUDDEN DISASTER.

Suddenly large volumes of water rushed into the vessel, covering in the space of a quarter of an hour, the stockhold plates and lower parts of the engines. The water gained on the pumps momentarily.

A SIGNAL OF DISTRESS.

A signal of distress—"We are sinking!"—was kept flying during a space of ten minutes. The signal was perceived by the crew of the flagship Black Prince, and the commander of the ship signalled to the dockyard for assistance.

THE CAUSE OF THE DANGER.

Before the tugs from the dockyard arrived at the side of the Iron Duke, it was discovered that the main sluice of the ship had been left open from some cause not yet explained.

THE REMEDY—JUST IN TIME.

The artificer of the vessel, moving with the water up to his neck, closed the sluice. Had he waited a few minutes later this would have been impossible. When the water was at its highest point inside of the Iron Duke, she began to heel precisely as the Vanguard did when placed in a condition of almost similar peril.

U. S. Naval Activity.

Intimidation of England Thought to be Intended—Aburdity of the Notion.

(By telegraph to the New York Tribune.)

Washington, Nov. 24.—The latest conjecture in regard to the mysterious activity of the Navy Department, just at this time, is that the President is preparing to communicate to Great Britain a peremptory refusal to pay some exorbitant sum of money which is demanded by Canada for fishing privileges accorded to the citizens of the United States by the Treaty of Washington. The absurdity of such a report as this is shown by a simple reading of the 22nd Article of the treaty, which does not provide for the presentation of any claims to the United States Government, but to a Commission which has not yet been appointed. The most that the British Government could do would be to urge upon the President the speedy appointment of a Commissioner to represent the United States, and it is not at all likely that our Government would refuse to do this without good excuse. In fact, from an unofficial point of view, it is impossible to see why Canada should be any more anxious than the United States for the award of a commission, since all available statistics lead to the conclusion that Canadian fishermen have been much more benefited by having a free market in the United States for the sale of the produce of their fisheries than those of the United States by admission to the in-shore fisheries of the Dominion.

FELL'S COFFEE, superior to any other manufactured on the Coast, may be obtained of all respectable dealers throughout the Province.

Miscellaneous.

FRENCH MEDICINES

PREPARED BY

GRIMAULT & CO.,

PHARMACEUTICAL CHEMISTS,

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OF all the medicines offered to the public for many years past, none have met with such favorable reception, or been so generally approved by the Medical Profession, as those prepared by Grimault and Co.

The model laboratories of this firm, situated at Neuilly-sur-Seine, and managed by Dr. Leconte, Professor in the Faculty of Medicine, ex-Pharmacist of the Hospitals of Paris, and formerly Assistant of Dr. Claude Bernard, Professor of Physiology at the College of France, offer guarantees to be found in no other establishment.

NURSING—PREGNANCY—EXHAUSTION.

Busart's Lactophosphate of Lime Preparations.

The preparations having Lactophosphate of Lime at their base, known as Busart's Wine and Syrup are the most valuable tonic restoratives known. They promote the formation and the nutrition of tissues, render nurse's milk more rich and plentiful, and aid the formation of the infant during pregnancy. They stimulate the appetite, agree with feeble persons, convalescents, old people, and especially with children to counteract the tendency to rickets.

GRIMAULT & CO'S

Syrup of Hypophosphite of Lime.

An excellent remedy for all affections of the chest; it relieves coughs, effectually prevents nocturnal perspiration, and restores the patient's strength. This syrup is the only one which, ever since 1857, has invariably been attended with satisfactory results—a fact due to the purity of the hypophosphite employed. Be sure to observe that it bears the signature of Grimault and Co., on bottles of an oval shape, the syrup being always of a rose colour.

GRIMAULT & CO'S

Matric Injection and Capsules.

Composed of the essence extracted from the plant so called, they have been constantly employed with the most brilliant success in a certain class of contagious disease.

They combine extraordinary efficacy with the advantage of never causing nausea, eruptions, or pains in the stomach, as do the gelatinous capsules which contain Balsam of Copahu in a liquid state; or the strictures which result from the use of injections having a metallic basis.

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Agents for British Columbia.

For Sale—To Let.

For Sale.

IN NEW WESTMINSTER DISTRICT 945 Acres of Rich Delta Land on Lulu Island, viz: Lots 28, 29, 30, 31, 32 and 33 in Block 4, North Range 6 West. For particulars apply to M. J. GOODE, my27tfr Iusano Asylum, Victoria, B.C.

FOR SALE.

THE OLD-ESTABLISHED HALF-WAY House and Brewery on the Esquimalt Road. Apply on the premises to JAMES BLAND, no18

NORFOLK FARM, PEDDER BAY, FOR SALE.

THIS FARM CONTAINS 204 ACRES, 70 acres of which are under cultivation. The Dwelling-house is substantial and contains Eight Rooms. There are commodious Barns, the usual Outbuildings, Dairy, &c. Two never-failing streams of water course through the farm; one stream will run a mill ten months in the year. The property will be sold on advantageous terms. Arrangements may be made for the purchase of the Stock and Farming Implements. Apply to A. DUMFRIES, Johnson St., Victoria. E. VINE, On the premises.

To Be Let.

ONE HANDSOME OFFICE IN THE COLONIST BUILDING. The best on the street. Apply to D. W. HIGGINS, no11fr

Auction Sales

1876.

NAVAL SALE.

J. P. DAVIES & CO.,

Have received instructions from

James H. Innes, Esq.

NAVAL STOREKEEPER,

TO SELL BY

PUBLIC AUCTION

AT THE

NAVAL YARD, ESQUIMALT,

On Behalf of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty,

Wednesday, Jan. 14, 1876

AT 11 O'CLOCK, A. M. SHARP,

The undermentioned

CONDEMNED STORES

Naval.

Cordage Paper Stuff, Coils Rope, Canvas Bags, white, Canvas Bags, painted, Woolen Rags, Tin Cans, Iron Casks, Paint Casks, 1 B Wood Casks, Hide Rope, Hide and Leather, Old Wrought Iron, Nets, Coal Sacks, old Steel, Old Files.

SHIP'S CUTTER, 23 FEET.

Victualling.

Bisonit, Rum, Chocolate, Biscuit Dust, Bages, Staves, Heding Pieces, Iron Hoops, Old Iron, half Hogsheads, small Casks, Metal, Lemon Juico, Bottles, M P Canisters, Candle Boxes, Metal Lined Cases.

Impiement Account.

Bottles, Meat Dishes, Hookpots, Tin Canisters, Pepper Dredgers, Salt Jars, Soup Ladles, Drinking Cups, Police Lamps, P G Lamps, Scones and Reflectors, Lamp Traps, Yeghting Lanterns, Signal Lanterns, G Hand Lanterns, 3 Weighing Machines, Spring Balances, Copper Measures, Pump, Tin Pump, Tin Funnels, Bread Shovels, Iron and Brass Padlocks, Hand Chopper, ass'ted Knives, Steels, Tormentors, Laddes, Vices, Gimlets, Carcase Cleaver, Linen Rags.

Clothing Account.

Flushing Jackets, Blue Cloth, No. 1. Flannel, Blue Serge, White Cotton Drill, Blue Jean, Flushing Hat Ribbons, Drill, Trousers, Men's Stockings, Boys' Stockings, Hat Pieces, Men's Mitts, L I Great Coats, Serge Tunics, Artillery Tunics, Foraging Caps, Blankets unmarked and marked, Beds unmarked and marked, Bed Covers, Comforters, Towels, Sonnet Hats, Tobacco, Black Silk Handkerchiefs, Blue Cloth, No. 2, Grey Cloth, Half Boots, Wrappers, Cases.

Yard Service.

Paper, Glass, Mops, Baling Twine, Seaming Twine.

In addition to the prices paid at auction the purchaser will have to pay the Government Duties on same on all goods not shipped to a foreign port, to the Auctioneers prior to delivery of Bills.

TERMS CASH.

J. P. DAVIES & CO., Auctioneers.

ON HING,

Groceries, Dry Goods,

Boots and Shoes, Clothing, Hats and Caps HAS REMOVED

To Johnson street, one door East of Eastman's Butcher Shop.

Manufactures Drawers, Undershirts, Overalls, etc., which he offers for sale by Wholesale and Retail, at Low Rates. Jall 20a

Post Office Notice.

Arrival and Closing of Mails at Victoria.

MALES. Canada, Great Britain, Europe, and U. S., via San Francisco

Do. via Tacoma..... Monday and Thursday 3 P.M.

New Westminster..... Wednesday 3 P.M.

Cariboo and Intermediate Offices..... Thursday at 5 P.M.

Nanaimo and East Coast Offices..... Daily at 10:30 A.M. and 2:30 P.M.

Esquimalt..... Monday, 1 P.M.

Metochosin..... Thursday, 10 A.M.

Stanich..... Monday, 3 P.M.

Sooke.....

ARRIVE. About the 4th, 14th and 24th of each Month

CLOSE. About the 10th, 20th and 30th of each month.

Tuesday at 9:30 A.M. and Thursday at 6 P.M.

Monday at 7 P.M.

Thursday at 6:30 P.M.

Daily, at 11 A.M. and 4 P.M.

Tuesday, 12 Noon, Wednesday, 9 A.M.

Tuesday, 9 A.M.

Letters for Registration must be posted half an hour before closing of each mail.

MONEY ORDERS

On Money Order Offices throughout the Dominion, Great Britain and Ireland, Newfoundland, and the United States, and at the offices at Barkerville, Clinton, Nanaimo, New Westminster and Yale, in this Province, can be obtained at this office.

OFFICE HOURS—From 8 A.M. to 7 P.M.

FOR MONEY ORDERS—From 9 A.M. to 4 P.M.

Post Office, Victoria, 1st Nov., 1875.

Municipal.

Municipal—Tenders.

THAT TENDERS BE INVITED FOR A Gravel Slidway on the north side of Richardson street, between Vancouver street and Cook street, to a width of 10 feet and a depth of 6 inches. Further information can be obtained at the City Surveyor's Office. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. City Clerk's Office, Dec. 1, 1875. de2

CITY OF VICTORIA,

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE Mayor will preside at the Police Court, Broad street, on

Tuesday, the 21st inst., AT 2 O'CLOCK, P. M.,

To grant Retail Liquor Licenses for the City of Victoria for the six months commencing on the First day of January, 1876.

Applications for Licenses will be received by the Clerk of the Court until 2 o'clock p.m. on Saturday, the 19th inst.

By order of the Mayor, WILLIAM LEIGH, C. P. C. City Police Court, 3d Dec., 1875. de4

In the Legislative Assembly. Session 1875-6.

NOTICE

IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT IT IS INTENDED to make application to the Legislative Assembly during the next ensuing session for leave to bring in a Bill to consolidate and amend the Ordinances and Statutes now in force relating to the Corporation of the City of Victoria.

Dated this 3d day of December, 1875.

WM. LEIGH, Clerk Municipal Council.

DOMINION PARLIAMENT.

Private Bills.

PARTIES intending to make application to Parliament for Private Bills, either for granting exclusive privileges, or conferring corporate powers for commercial or other purposes of profit, or for doing anything tending to affect the rights, or property of other parties, are hereby notified that they are required by the Rules of the two Houses of Parliament (which are published in full in the "Canada Gazette") to give TWO MONTHS' NOTICE of the application (clearly and distinctly specifying its nature and object), in the "Canada Gazette" and also in a newspaper published in the County or Union of Counties affected, sending copies of the Papers containing the first and last of such notice to the Private Bill Office of each House.

All Petitions for Private Bills must be presented within the FIRST THREE WEEKS of the session.

The fee now payable for a Private Bill is Two HUNDRED DOLLARS.

ROBERT LEMOINE, Clerk of the Senate.

ALFRED PATRICK, Clerk of the House of Commons.

FOR SALE,

EX RECENT ARRIVALS

High Test American COAL OIL, " Canadian do SUGARS, S. L., No. 1 and 3, " Circle A Crushed, SYRUP, in 5 Gallon Kegs, BUTTER, California and Eastern, CHEESE, " BACON, HAMS, LARD, TEAS, Black & Green in chests and 5lb & 10lb Caddies. RAISINS, CURRANTS, PRUNES, MATCHES, California and Wax, SALAD OIL, qts., pts. and 1-2 pts. GLASS PIPES, SALT—Liverpool, Casarzo & Fine. —ALSO—

Flour & Feed of all kinds.

GOODS DELIVERED FREE OF CHARGE.

—BY—

J. RUEFF & CO.,

WHOLESALE RETAIL GROCERS

GOVERNMENT ST., VICTORIA.

J. FINLAYSON, FAMILY GROCER

Tea and Coffee Dealer, Fort street.

BEST JAVA COFFEE FRESH ROASTED and ground daily.

Goods delivered to any part of the city. je10

JAMES SYME, ARCHITECT,

MARONIC BUILDING, GOVERNMENT ST.

VICTORIA, B. C.

Postal.

NOTICES.

NOTICE.

NEITHER CAPTAIN MILLS, NOR THE vessel, are responsible for any debts contracted by the crew of the Valparaiso. SPROAT & CO., Agents.

NOTICE.

HAVING DISPOSED OF MY BUSINESS, I am not responsible for any debts contracted by the crew of the Valparaiso. SPROAT & CO., Agents.

J. L. JUNGERMANN

Department of Marine & Fisheries.

BRITISH COLUMBIA AGENCY.

TENDERS ARE INVITED ADDRESSED TO the undersigned and will be received at this office up to noon of the 28th inst. for the supply of Provisions, etc., to the Race Rocks Lighthouse, and Fraser River Lightship.

A schedule of the articles to be supplied, and also a copy of the contract to be signed, can be seen by applying to the agent.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. JAMES COOPER, Agent.

Victoria, B.C., Dec. 4th, 1875. de5

NOTICE.

District of British Columbia Pilotage Authority.

THE LICENSE OF THOMAS PAMPHLET AS a Pilot of the Coast is hereby annulled. By order of the Pilotage Authority. EDGAR CROW BAKER, Secretary.

Canadian Pacific Railway.

THE OFFICES OF THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY have been removed to Dominion Block, Opposite the Bank of British Columbia on Government street.

TUITION

A LADY WILL BE GLAD TO RECEIVE A few children between the ages of 7 and 12 to educate with her own family. For further information inquire of MRS. NEWTON, Katesey, Fraser River.

NOTICE.

PARTIES FOUND IN POSSESSION OF Mules or Horses, BELONGING TO THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY SURVEY, Without written authority after this notice, WILL BE PROSECUTED ACCORDING TO LAW. By order, MARCUS SMITH, de15w

VICTORIA, 14th Dec., 1875.

EDUCATION.

CLASSES FOR YOUNG LADIES WILL be commenced on Wednesday, the 20th inst., in the house situated on the corner of Kane and Quadra streets, by competent teachers, under the immediate supervision of the Rev. H. G. Gidney and Mrs. Gidney. A class for boys under 8 years of age will also be formed. For particulars apply to MRS. CRIDGE. de14

NOTICE.

ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST the firm of Jones and H. M. Cowper will please hand in the same, and those indebted to the firm will please pay, on or before the 20th inst. JESSE & H. M. COWPER, January 21st 1876. de15w

NOTICE.

FROM AND AFTER THIS DATE, WILL only accept coin for rent, as well as for of Payments to be made on 1st and 15th inst. de15w

MR. HELMCKEN

MAY BE CONSULTED AT HIS OFFICE in Victoria, between the hours of 9 and 12 in the morning, or at his residence, James Bay, in the evening. de15w

NOTICE.

ALL PERSONS ARE HEREBY CAUTIONED from purchasing or negotiating for the purchase of one full share in each of the following named Mining Claims, viz: 1 Full share in the Burns Co., McDermott Creek, 1 Full share in the Alpha Co., Dease Creek, Both situated in the district of Cassiar, British Columbia, and recorded in the name of Alex. McNaughton, the same being in the joint property of the undersigned. DEASE CREEK, Oct. 15th, 1875. no18

LOST.

A PROMISSORY NOTE FOR \$304 DRAWN payable 30 days after date at the Bank of British Columbia to H. Gerke & Co. or order, and endorsed by them.

All persons are hereby cautioned not to negotiate the said note, as payment has been stopped. Victoria, 22nd Nov., 1875. no23

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

Mrs. Maynard's

NEW PHOTOGRAPHIC GALLERY

CORNER OF DOUGLAS & JOHNSON STREETS, VICTORIA, B. C.

IS NOW PREPARED TO TAKE ALL KINDS of Photographs in all the latest improvements. On hand and for sale Views of British Columbia and Vancouver Island. Also, all kinds of Photographic Material.

As the New Gallery is well lighted I will guarantee satisfaction to all who will favor me with their patronage. oc22

DeWiederhold & Co.,

Coal, Wood and Commission Merchants.

BEST NANAIMO COAL, well screened and kept under cover, at \$9 per ton of 2,000 lbs. CORDWOOD, well seasoned Red Pine, at \$5 00 per Cord.

Orders left at Messrs. T. Allison & Co's, Government street, or at the Wharf, James Bay, will be promptly attended to. oc3

MRS. FARRON & MME. FITERRE

"There is Something Rotten in Denmark!"

For the past three years we have frequently had occasion to refer in terms far from complimentary to the drydock scheme of the Government. We know that in doing so we deeply wounded the sensibilities of some of our Esquimalt friends, whose good opinion we prize very highly, and whose lot being cast at the Naval Station of the North Pacific naturally resented any remarks which they conceived might effect an interest almost as dear to them as life itself. It would be useless for us to plead that in pointing out the weak spots in the scheme we really sought to place it on a sound, enduring and practicable basis. We therefore shall enter no such plea. We only ask to have our prediction submitted to the verdict of results. When Mr. DeCosmos returned from England we spoke of his drydock mission as a *fiasco*. When Mr. Walkem returned with (metaphorically speaking) the drydock in his pocket, we told the people that the whole affair was a "big joke." We now beg most distinctly to be allowed to withdraw both those assertions. We neither regard the Government scheme as a *fiasco* nor as a "big joke," and we were as entirely wrong when we so characterized them as if we had called a deep tragedy a ridiculous farce. "An honest confession" is said to be "good for the soul," and while acknowledging our error and seeking to withdraw the offensive terms, we have no hesitation in pronouncing the two missions and the whole scheme to be IM-MENSE FRAUDS on the public.

It has become apparent to everyone—even Esquimalt residents—that if the Government really intended to go on with the work they would have pressed the cofferdam contractors—as they have pressed other contractors—to commence operations months ago. In the House, last spring, the Attorney General promised to have 500 men at work on the drydock by August. Well, we have passed the middle of December, and although the contract for building a cofferdam was let on the 18th day of August, the first man of the 500 has not yet put in an appearance. What is the country to think when they are told that the four months which have been allowed to slip away without an attempt being made to advance their interests have been passed in trying to dispose of the contract at London to the firm of experienced engineers who were mysteriously allowed to come within \$200 or \$300 of the successful tenderers? If the Victoria bid was *bona fide*, why were not the contractors compelled—as contractors on other works have been compelled—to begin operations there some months ago? The Government were well aware that, "work or play," the charges of Messrs. Knippel & Morris were running on and must be met. They knew that Mr. Bennett's \$190 a month had been a charge against the Treasury since July last. They were equally well aware that through the default of the contractors expenses and charges were accumulating, and it was their duty to have insisted on the work being prosecuted or to have forfeited the bonds. Instead of doing their duty in this respect, as they would have done towards almost any other firm, they display an apathy which would have been censurable in any case, but in the instance under discussion smacks strongly of corruption. Messrs. Hayward & Jenkinson agreed to construct the cofferdam for the sum of \$59,479. Instead of making an earnest effort to perform the work, we find them in the London market in the character of speculators, trafficking with Reed Bros. & Co. for the sale of the contract. The negotiations extend over four months—a period of infinite value to the people of this Province, who seem to have been forced to drain the cup of disappointment to its very dregs through no fault of their own. At the end of the four months we are told that a sale of the contract has been effected, and that an agent of the London firm is on the way to consummate the purchase! It is unnecessary for us to inform the intelligent reader that the Government must have been a party to the transfer or it could not have been made; must have connived at the delay or it could not have occurred; must have shown gross favoritism (or worse) or the dam would have been now well underweigh. The whole transaction bears upon its face the imprint of immorality—the evidence of fraud, the disastrous effects of which, unless the officials who have been parties to it can be brought to punishment, must be borne by the country at large. We shall be glad, indeed, for the credit of the Province and for the sake of the character of its public men, to find that the Government can clear its skirts of complicity in a proceeding which has allowed an important public work to be delayed for a period of four months while the contractors were permitted to hawk their contract through the streets of London for sale. The case seems too strong, however, and we cannot discover how officials can escape the consequences by an act which, had the country sustained the Government by the return to the House of their paid tools in place of honest fearles, independent men determined to institute a rigid investigation into every suspicious circumstance connected with the Government of the country, would never have seen the light of day.

TO THE ECONOMIST IN FAMILY MATTERS: If you have any doubts as regards where to look for supplies for your Christmas festivities just call in and see the varied stock of Fell & Co., Fort street, consisting of choicest dried and crystallized Fruits, New Nuts, Pure Sweets for children, Bon-Bons in great variety, Jams, Jellies, canned Peaches, Pineapples, Straples, Blackberries, &c. Honey, in the comb and strained, Preserved Ginger and Chinese mixed fruits. Fancy Biscuits, fancy Chocolates, Spices, ground and prepared by ourselves and warranted pure. Fruit Essence in great variety. In fact almost everything you require in the culinary department. We do not profess to sell cheaper than other firms, but as cheap, and guarantee every article to be as represented, and full weight as charged. The Imperial gallon for all liquors.—Fort Street, Dec. 4th, 1875.

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God Bless the Farm.
God bless the farm—the dear old farm!
God bless its every rood,
Where willing hearts and sturdy arms
Can earn an honest livelihood!
Can from the coast and forth the soil
Win back a recompense for toil.
God bless each meadow, field and nook,
Begemmed with fairest flowers,
And every leaf that's gently shook
By evening's breeze or morning showers;
God bless them all! each leaf a gem
In nature's gorgeous diadem.
The orchards that, in early spring,
Blush rich in fragrant flowers,
And with each autumn surely bring
Their wealth of fruits in golden showers;
Like pomegranates on Aaron's rod,
A miracle from nature's God.
And may he bless the farmer's home,
Where peace and plenty reign;
No happier spot 'neath heaven's high dome
Doth this broad, beautiful earth contain.
Than where, secure from care and strife
The farmer leads his peaceful life.
Unweary by toil and tricks for gain,
He turns the fertile mould;
Then scatters on the golden grain,
And reaps the reward of his toil.
He dwells where grace and beauty charm,
For God hath blessed his home and farm.

WINTER FASHIONS.—Just received by Brown & White, ex Salvador, Ladies' Costumes in the newest styles and materials, new Dress Goods, Skirts, Shawls, Waterproof Cloaks, Furs, Waterproof Tweeds, Polonaises, Hosiery, Gloves, Ribbons, Laces, Flowers, Feathers, Frillings, Ties, Handkerchiefs, Linen Sets, Belts, Knitted Wool Goods in great variety, Flannels, Long Cloths, Sheetings, Table Linens, Knitting Yarn in all colors, and a general assortment of Staple Goods, Haberdashery, &c., &c.—Brown & White, Government street, opposite Easton.

FELL & Co. beg to call the attention of Families desiring pure and genuine Liquors for the Christmas Festivities to their stock of Irish, Scotch and Canadian Whiskies; Old Jamaica Rum, Prime Old Brandy, London Gin, Fine Old Crustard and Fruity Port Wines, and some of the choicest SERRAVALLO Wines ever imported into the Province. Claret, Champagne, California Wines, Ales and Porters, &c.

New Advertisements.
THIRD GRAND
SCOTTISH
Entertainment,
Under the distinguished patronage of
HIS EXCELLENCY
THE GOVERNOR
And Suite.
Philharmonic Hall,
Wednesday Even'g, Dec. 22d,
On which occasion
MR. J. C. FERGUSSON,
Will have the honor to give
"A Nicht Wi' Burns!"
In which the
Choicest Songs of Scotland's Greatest
Poet will be Sung.
ADMISSION.—Family Ticket, admitting four persons, \$2.00. Front Seats, \$1; Back Seats, 50 cents.
Tickets can be obtained at the "Scotch House," A. McLean & Co.; and at the store of Mr. Gilmore, "The Palace," where a diagram of the Hall can be seen, and where Reserved Seats can be secured without extra charge. Doors will be opened at 7 1/2 o'clock.
GEO. RICHARDSON'S
ANNUAL CHRISTMAS RAFFLE
WILL TAKE PLACE ON THE
23rd Inst., at 8 o'clock p.m., for Fat Turkeys, Geese, Rabbits, Sucking Pigs, etc.
20 Prizes: 100 Tickets 50 cents each.
Highest Thrown to take the choice.
MUSIC
A LADY WOULD BE HAPPY TO PLAY
A Dance music at evening parties during the Christmas Season. Terms reasonable.
Ladies given on the piano. Apply at
MILLEN & CO'S,
Stationers Hall.
JOHN TEAGUE,
Architect,
Cor. Government and Fort Streets.
Qualification of Voters at the Ensuing Municipal Elections.
EXCEPT from "The Municipality Act Amendment Act, 1873,"
SECTION 14.—"Any male or female, being of the full age of twenty-one years, who is rated upon the Assessment Roll of the Municipality and who has paid not less than ten days previous to the time of the election, (viz. on or before the 31st December, 1875) all municipal rates and taxes, payable by him or her, shall be entitled to vote at the (ensuing) Municipal Election in any Ward in which he or she may be registered as a ratepayer."
WM. LEIGH, C. M. C.,
City Council Office, Dec. 18th, 1875.
NOTICE.
ALL CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF
Julius Burrill must be sent in to the undersigned before the 1st of February next, or they will be disallowed.
L. LOWENBERG,
Administrator.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE
FURNITURE
SALE
J. P. DAVIES & CO.,
Have received instructions from
J. L. Jungermann, Esq.,
TO SELL BY
PUBLIC AUCTION
AT HIS RESIDENCE
Humboldt St.,
On Thursday, Dec. 23, 1875.
AT 11 O'CLOCK, A. M.
All the Superior
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE
Contained in Drawing Rooms, Parlors,
Dining and Bed Rooms,
Kitchen Furniture, &c.
Particulars in Tuesday's COLONIST.

TO THE ECONOMIST IN FAMILY MATTERS: If you have any doubts as regards where to look for supplies for your Christmas festivities just call in and see the varied stock of Fell & Co., Fort street, consisting of choicest dried and crystallized Fruits, New Nuts, Pure Sweets for children, Bon-Bons in great variety, Jams, Jellies, canned Peaches, Pineapples, Straples, Blackberries, &c. Honey, in the comb and strained, Preserved Ginger and Chinese mixed fruits. Fancy Biscuits, fancy Chocolates, Spices, ground and prepared by ourselves and warranted pure. Fruit Essence in great variety. In fact almost everything you require in the culinary department. We do not profess to sell cheaper than other firms, but as cheap, and guarantee every article to be as represented, and full weight as charged. The Imperial gallon for all liquors.—Fort Street, Dec. 4th, 1875.

New Advertisements.
Christmas & New Year's Gifts.
GENTLEMEN'S FANCY SLIPPERS
ENTIRELY NEW STYLE!
—AT—
MANSELL'S.
EXTRAORDINARY ARRIVAL
Direct from Europe Ex "Dakota."
H. RUDOLPH
Has just received a Valuable and Beautiful Assortment of
Jewelry, Watches, Diamonds, Silverware
Amongst which will be found an entirely NEW STYLE, viz:
AMBER JEWELRY, Direct from Dantzic (on the Baltic.)
At present all the rage in San Francisco; the only lot imported here; suitable for
CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S GIFTS,
And will be offered during the Holidays, together with his extensive Stock at LOW-
ER PRICES than any other dealer in the City in order to make room
for Large Shipments now on the way.
Dec. 13th, 1875.

GREAT BARGAINS! HOLIDAYS!
GREAT SALE OF
Watches and Jewellery!
C. REDFERN
Having purchased the Stock and Business of
J. L. Jungermann, Watchmaker & Jeweler,
Government street, at a great reduction from Cost Price, offers the whole of the
valuable goods for sale during the next
30 Days at less than San Francisco Prices!
In order to clear off the Stock before the New Year, in which he will be assisted by
Mr. J. L. Jungermann, who has kindly consented to remain till after the Holidays
del THE GOODS MUST BE SOLD AT ANY PRICE!

Wanted.
BY A SINGLE GENTLEMAN, A FURNISH-
ed room within 5 or 10 minutes' walk of
Postoffice. Address "A," at this Office.
Wanted.
A CHIEF OFFICER FOR THE BRITISH
barque "Tants County." Apply to the Master
on board the ship at Burrard Inlet, or to the under-
signed.
J. A. RAYMER,
Dec. 9th, 1875.

LOY HING,
The celebrated manufacturer of
Good Cigars.
HAS REMOVED FROM STORE STREET
to Johnson street next door to On King's.
He is now making the
Best Havana Cigars and Good Com-
mon Cigars.
The Trade Supplied.
For Burrard Inlet.
THE STEAMER BEAVER WILL LEAVE
Dickson-Campbell's Wharf on Monday the 20th,
for Burrard Inlet.
THEATRE ROYAL
Lessee and Managers Mrs. FANNY M. PHILIPS
Grand Opening of the
New Theatre!

NEW DECORATIONS!
NEW UPHOLSTERING!!
& ENTIRE RENOVATION!!
MISS ADELE LEIGHTON
J. A. Herne & F. M. Phelps
Dramatic Company.
PYGMALION & GALATEA,
And the Irish Comedy
MORE BLUNDERS THAN ONE!
Tuesday Evening, Dec. 21st.
Thursday—By Request—Robertson's School.
In Rehearsal—Dot, The Winter Robin, etc.
PRICES OF ADMISSION:
Dress Circle & Parquette - - - \$1.00
Pit - - - - - 50
Private Boxes - - - - - \$5 and \$6
Doors open at 7.30, commence at 8 o'clock precisely.
Reserved Seats for sale at the Jewellery Store of C. E. Redfern's (late Jungermann's).
H. MITCHELL,
[Late Mitchell & Johnston,]
LANDSCAPE GARDENER AND
ARCHITECT.
Plans, Specifications and Estimates
Prepared.
Gardens and Grounds Laid Out & Planted
by Contract or otherwise.
Orders left at COLONIST OFFICE or at my
RESIDENCE, MENZIES STREET,
JAMES BAY, VICTORIA.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
CARRYING H. M. MAILS.
THE STEAMSHIP
SALVADOR,
CAPTAIN JONES.
Having very Superior Accommodation
Will leave for San Francisco
Monday, December 20th,
ABOUT 12 O'CLOCK, NOON.
For Freight or Passage apply to
HENRY RHODES & CO.,
Agents.
55,000
Havana Cigars

The Hudson's Bay Co.
Have received by the
STEAMSHIP SALVADOR,
The above quantity of CIGARS
Direct from Havana.

Dissolution of Copartnership.
THE COPARTNERSHIP HERETOFORE
existing between the undersigned, Wm. Dalby
and Wm. Robertson, until lately carrying on business
as Saddlers, Harness-makers, &c., in Victoria, has
been dissolved by mutual consent.
All claims against them must be sent in, and all
debts due them paid, before the 20th proximo to Mr.
W. K. Bull, the collector appointed.
(Signed) WM. DALBY,
WM. ROBERTSON,
Witness—THOS. ARTHUR.
P. S.—Mr. Bull will attend to the above Business
at J. C. Bales' office, Station st., from 10 to 12 daily.
Victoria, 29th November, 1875.

New Advertisements.
DAVID GREEN
WILL SELL
1875. January 1st, 1876, 1876.
MEN'S CLOTHING,
Of the Most Fashionable Make.
BOYS' CLOTHING,
OF THE LATEST STYLES.
GENTLEMEN'S FINE FURNISHING GOODS,
HATS, CAPS AND HOSIERY,
—AT A—
SACRIFICE OF 20 PER CENT.
AS HE IS PREPARING TO

Remove to His Handsome New Store, Colonial
Hotel Building, Government Street,
opposite the Post Office.
REMEMBER, any man can sell Cheap
Goods, but
DAVID GREEN
Is the only Clothier in Victoria who can sell
Good Goods Cheap!

NEW GOODS! NEW GOODS!
WATCHES, JEWELRY
DIAMONDS,
SILVERWARE, OPTICAL GOODS, &c.,
—AT—
C. REDFERN'S,
Government Street,
Who has just returned from Europe and the United States, where he has made a
personal selection of the Finest Stock of Goods ever introduced into the Province,
some of which have already arrived and the balance will arrive in time for the
CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.
FINE GOLD AND SILVER WATCHES,
SPLENDID DIAMONDS—Set and Unset,
NEW STYLES IN JEWELLERY,
FINEST SILVERWARE,
LATEST PATTERN IN ELECTRO PLATE,
A LARGE VARIETY IN CLOCKS.
C. R. takes this opportunity of returning thanks for past favors and invites his
customers and the public of British Columbia generally to inspect his Stock, which
they will find to be far superior to anything ever offered in Victoria, and will be
sold at the lowest remunerative prices.
Repairing as Usual. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

LEWIS LEWIS
WISHES TO INFORM HIS CUSTOM-
ers and the public in general that he has
RECEIVED PER STEAMERS
Salvador, Pacific and City
of Panama,
FROM NEW YORK DIRECT,
The Latest Styles of
DIAGONAL SUITS,
Embroidered Shirts,
SHAKER FLANNEL SHIRTS and
DRAWERS,
Navel Officers' Cloaks
ALSO—FROM EUROPE,
ULSTER COATS, OVERCOATS,
And a Straight Invoice of
French Pants.
OF THE LATEST STYLES.
—ALSO—
SOLE LEATHER NICKEL PLATED AND RUSSIAN
LEATHER
VALISES
And a great variety of
TRUNKS.
LOVETT'S RAFFLE
Will Come Off on Christmas Eve.
TWO PRIZES—THE HIGHEST THROW
has the choice of prizes. The winner of each
prize may have
\$200 IN CASH
If he prefers.

FORESTERS' BALL.
THE MEMBERS OF COURT VANCOUVER
No. 5755 A. O. F. have decided on giving a
Grand BALL
—AT—
PHILHARMONIC HALL, FORT STREET,
On Monday Evening, Dec. the 20th.
TICKETS, admitting Gentleman and Ladies, in-
cluding supper, \$3.50.
Dancing to commence at 9.30.
F. G. RICHARDS, Jr.,
Secretary.
T. SHAW & J. KUNA,
Boiler Makers
—AND—
Sheet Iron Workers,
HAVE ESTABLISHED A BOILER SHOP
on Cormorant Street, above Govern-
ment, and are prepared to estimate on and
contract for new work at MODERATE PRICES.
Particular attention paid to Repairs.
P. O. Box 189, Victoria, B. C.

FOR SALE.
TWO WELL BRED COWS, ONE WITH
calf at foot and one about to calve. Price, \$50
and \$10.
Apply at COLONIST OFFICE.

SUNDAY MORNING, DEC. 15TH, 1875.

BIRTHS.
In this city, on the 18th inst., the wife of J. E. Curtis, of a son.
At New Westminster, on the 15th inst., the wife of Mr. W. Howay, of a daughter.

Municipal Police Court.

(Before A. C. Elliott, Esq., P. M.)

SATURDAY, Dec. 18th.

Yesterday at the Police Court Captain Mills of the British ship Valparaiso appeared in answer to a summons, issued at the instance of Capt. Nagle, Harbourmaster, charging him with neglecting to keep a clear light burning on his vessel, at anchor in Esquimalt harbor, between the hours of sunset of the 9th and daybreak of the 10th instant.

It will be remembered that the steamship Dakota with a large number of passengers on board narrowly escaped collision with the vessel, in passing into the harbor on her last trip from San Francisco, and but for a good lookout kept on board the steamship a disaster would have been inevitable.

Mr. Drake (Drake & Jackson) who appeared for the defendant requested Capt. Nagle to prove the rules under which he was acting.

The plaintiff replied that he had no proof to offer, other than to state that the rules he was guided by were forwarded to him from Ottawa.

Mr. Drake submitted that the rules of themselves were insufficient, there must be some proof of their having been passed or at least a copy issued by the Queen's printer must be produced. He would ask his honor to note his objection.

Capt. Nagle said he had no evidence to call in support of his charge. He had merely laid the information in his official capacity on a complaint having been made to him, and the one witness he would have called had left on board the steamer Salvador; anyhow he did not desire to press the charge, he only wished to prevent a recurrence of the alleged neglect. For all he knew personally there might have been 50 lights on board the vessel, but the complaint made to him stated that there was not one. He had no evidence whatever to call.

His Honor ruled that as there were no witnesses for the prosecution he had no course left but to dismiss the summons.

Mr. Drake applied for costs, which were granted and the summons was dismissed.

Billy, a Squamish Indian, was then charged with stealing 3 bottles of brandy and a quantity of clothing from Capt. Jimmy Jones. The prisoner was remanded until Monday (to-morrow).

William Parker, charged with desertion from the ship Dovenby, was discharged, it being shown that defendant had been admitted to Marine Hospital on or about the day the desertion was alleged to have taken place.

Oliver Blanchfield, charged with being a vagrant, was sentenced to three months imprisonment with hard labor.

THEATRE ROYAL RENOVATION.—During the past four weeks the work of renovating Theatre Royal and making it in every respect worthy the Capital City of the Province has been going forward as rapidly as the weather and other circumstances would permit. The walls and ceilings have been newly plastered and painted, the proscenium handsomely decorated, and furniture rep with new stuffs now cover the seats of the dress circle. The balustrades in front of the dress-circle came from the painter's hands yesterday and were placed in position, presenting a very handsome effect to the eye. To-morrow work will be commenced in the parquet and private boxes and will be vigorously prosecuted during the approaching week. The proprietors hope to announce the complete renovation of the auditorium by Christmas Eve.

MELANCHOLY PARADES.—The near approach of the "Merry Christmas" follows too closely upon the heels of the "Merry New Year" to leave us unmoved by the contrast of joy and sorrow which is still as vividly impressed upon our minds as if it were but yesterday. This warning of the "Still Small Voice" brings painfully face to face, during the Holidays, the strong contrast of joy and sorrow to cast a pall over us, as if it were a mockery, and converts the natural joyous laugh into a subdued pain. Under the sad circumstances our feelings revolt, and our hearts are torn in the effort to write the glad announcement that, long before this event, an unusual variety of attractive amusements were ordered, and which are now received as if there were no alloy to mar the occasion. —T. N. HENDERSON & CO.

FROM NEW WESTMINSTER.—The following passengers arrived per steamer Entreprenneur from New Westminster yesterday afternoon: Mrs. Parmiter, Miss Louise Irving, Capt. Raymur, Capt. Insley, Messrs. H. Nelson, T. Westgarth, Nelson, Oliver, McElmen, Calder, and Skinner.

THE late Mrs. Hellmuth, one of the Pacific's victims, had \$3000 in her possession when she went aboard the steamship. An Olympia paper intimates that the money must have been stolen from the body after its recovery.

GAZETTE NOTICES.—J. McCutcheon, Esq., of Chilliwack, has been made a Collector of Voters; and Messrs. Barnes, Perry, Sandford and Walker have been appointed additional Trustees for the Cache Creek Boarding School.

RETURNED.—Miss Louise Irving, "the mocking bird," and Herr Neilson, the violinist, returned to this city yesterday after a successful musical tour on the Mainland, and will give a performance shortly.

GOING HOME.—The barque Blanche, Capt. Lambrough, will sail to-morrow for Falmouth, England, with a cargo of wheat which she took on board at Portland.

NEW CHAMBERS.—The building known as St. James' Hotel, situate on the corner of Government and Broughton streets, is being repaired and furnished for occupation by officers of the Corporation.

Y.M.C.A.—The regular meeting of the Young Men's Christian Association will be held on Monday evening at 7 past 7 in their hall, Omicron Building, Yates street. All are cordially invited.

LIQUOR LICENSES.—Up to 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon some 40 applications had been received by the City Clerk for the ensuing half year.

TO CLOSE.—The mail to leave per steamship Salvador will close at 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WHITE.—The Salvador now sports a white crew.

Two sons of Mr. Greyell of Chilliwack had their feet badly frozen a few days since. Dr. McInnes goes up by this morning's steamer to attend them.

We are authorized to state that Dr. R. McInnes will be a candidate for Mayor at the forthcoming election.

The Royal City went up as far as Harrison River last Saturday, and made a very quick trip. She only occupied twelve hours from the time of her departure till she resumed her place at the wharf on Monday evening, making fourteen landings on the route. She brought down a few passengers, some farm produce and a way mail.

The farmers of the Mission Valley are complaining very bitterly about the inroads made by the Mission Creek on their lands. One farm with improvements is entirely destroyed, and if the necessary changes are not effected, a second will soon follow in its wake. What is required is a dam to turn the stream into its original channel, and so prevent the flooding which is sure to take place in the spring. If some steps are not taken at once, valuable settlers, who have been located there for years, will be compelled to leave that part of the country.

THEATRE ROYAL.—This building, which has assumed an entirely changed and elegant appearance from new drapery and furniture, was crowded last night by a large and fashionable audience. An excellent bill was provided by the management, the three act drama "Maritana" preceding the laughable farce "Black Eyed Susan." In the former piece Adele Leighton portrayed the title character with the grace and accuracy peculiar to her. Don Cesar de Bazan fell to the lot of the accomplished actor James A. Herne who did full justice to the part. "Lazarillo" taken by Mrs. Phelps was ably represented the songs form part of the character-adding materially to the charms of the play. Mr. Blake impersonated "Charles, the King of Spain," and Mr. Wilkes the "Marquis of St. Cruz," both of which parts were successfully enacted. In the afterpiece, "Black-Eyed Susan," Miss Leighton proved her great versatility of talent, whilst Mr. Herne as "William" and Mrs. Phelps as "Dolly" were instrumental in providing many rounds of laughter for the audience. On Tuesday evening next "Pygmalion and Galatea" will be included in the programme.

"A NIGHT WITH BURNS."—Mr. J. C. Ferguson, whose delightful lectures on Scotland and Scottish songs have drawn large audiences in this city, will give a "Night with Burns" at Philharmonic Hall on Wednesday evening. We are glad to hear that His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor has extended his patronage to this chaste and intellectual concert; and the liberal encouragement Mr. Ferguson has met with speaks well for the culture and taste of our people. The interest of the concert will be enhanced by explanatory and historical remarks, such as gave a keen relish to the songs on Friday night.

TO FAMILIES.—Full & Co. have received a consignment of choice Sherry Wines from the celebrated wine growers, Courtenay & Co., Spain, which they are now offering for sale per bottle or gallon at prices to suit the times, consisting of:
Amontillado,
Olorosa,
Vino de Panto. Pale or full Pale,
Pale or Gold.
Connoisseurs will oblige by giving us a call and sampling.

FORESTERS' BALL.—The Order of Foresters will meet their lady and gentleman friends at Philharmonic Hall to-morrow night. A goodly number of tickets have been sold; there will be a large attendance of ladies; excellent dances music has been secured; and a capital supper will be prepared. With such a happy combination, the lady or gentleman who cannot enjoy him or herself to-morrow evening in the company of the Foresters must indeed be a misanthrope.

NANAIMO.—The steamer Beaver cast off the barque Shooting Star in the Straits yesterday. She is laden with Nanaimo coal and is bound for the Gulf of California. The ship Longfellow has one-half of her cargo of rails discharged and when all is out she will sail for Moody & Nelson's mills to take in a cargo of lumber. The bark Prince Rupert is ready for sea.

THEIR EXCELLENCIES Lord and Lady Dufferin have issued cards for a grand fancy ball to be held at Rideau Hall on February 23d. All the fashionable world of the cities and towns of the Dominion is excited on the subject, and there will doubtless be an unprecedented display of wealth, taste and beauty.

FINE OLD JAVA COFFEE at Fell & Co.'s.
PRIME CANADA CHEESE at Fell & Co.'s.
OREGON AND CALIFORNIA CHEESE at Fell & Co.'s.
DRIED BEANS at Fell & Co.'s.
FRESH ISLAND BUTTER at Fell & Co.'s.
CANADIAN DO. Split at Fell & Co.'s.
TEA. Congou, Orange, Pekoe, Young Hyson, Japan in great variety. See, &c., at FELL & CO.'S

STANDARD LIFE.—Messrs. Stahlshmidt & Co., agents for British Columbia, have presented us with the annual Calendar and memorandum book of the Standard Life Assurance Co. It is a neat little affair and will be found very useful.

BARCLAY SOUND.—Capt. Rain of the schooner Thornton brought up three potatoes weighing 8 1/2 lbs, planted last July on Mr. Clarke's farm at Alberni. Can be seen at the Adelphi corner.

AMUSEMENT.—Choice Olographs from celebrated names, ha done Photographic Albums, Church Service and Gift Books, an endless variety of Juvenile and Toy Books, Pearl, Ivory and Shell Card Cases; and other Fancy Goods for Christmas. —T. N. HENDERSON & CO.

AN AGENT of Reed Bros. & Co., to whom the Esquimalt drydock contract has been disposed of, is said to have arrived at San Francisco from London.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.—Rev. Geo. Mason, M. A., preaches at morning service and Very Rev. Dean Gilson in the evening. The collections will be in aid of the Missions.

REASONABLE.—Daily Journals, Pocket and Other Papers for 1876. —T. N. HENDERSON & CO.

H. M. S. FANTOME sailed for the Southern Coast yesterday.

NOTICE.—Having purchased the business of Mr. J. L. Jungerman, I beg to assure his customers here and up country that I shall use every effort to give satisfaction in every branch of the business, and most respectfully solicit for myself a continuance of the patronage enjoyed by my predecessor. —CHAS. E. REDFERN, Dec. 1st, 1875.

OKANAGAN, NOV. 29th, 1875.

EDITOR COLONIST.—I have just passed through the Okanagan District, and there is every indication of what an old forty-niner would call a hard old winter. There are not less than twenty inches of snow, and the stockraisers are beginning to feel "blue." The thermometer during the past week has indicated 15 deg. below zero, with blustering winds and blinding snow. In spite of the weather Mr. P. Parker, the contractor for the Okanagan wagon road, and a gang of efficient laborers, are hard at work on the bridge at Meadow Creek and, as far as I can judge, are making a most excellent job of it.

Mr. Forbes Vernon is about to start below for the Legislative Hall, where, there is no doubt that he will fully realize the great expectations of his constituents.

BETTER NEWS.

Dec. 2nd.—Raining. The countenances of the stockraisers have lost their blue tinge. Thawing for three days. Snow going fast.

"Valparaiso" and "Dakota."

EDITOR COLONIST.—I did not notice the letter which you published few days ago from Messrs. Rhodes & Co. to the Harbourmaster, about the "Valparaiso" not having a proper light, as the case had to come into court. I now beg to inform you that the Magistrate to-day dismissed the case. Had it been gone into, I had ample evidence from independent observers on board other ships in the harbor that the "Valparaiso" showed the regulation light on the night in question, as she does from sunset to sunrise on all other nights. Your obedient servant,

A. MILLS, Master.

18th Dec., 1875.

A Material Protest Against Spiritism.

EDITOR COLONIST.—Another ennobling but inconclusive effusion of your correspondent, W. Beaumont, last week, leads me to ask, what next? Is it not high time to protest against the periodical rehearsals of this would be prophet? Certainly, the importance and circulation of your valued paper ought not to the vehicle of an effete and exploded superstition; unless it be as an example of aberration of mind, or to show what is the real opposite of reason and common sense! Compare, for instance, the weird, hobgoblin story of your correspondent, which appeared in the same issue, with the beautiful and appropriate articles of Mr. Spiro and your own, upon the burial of Miss Palmer.

In the interest of other families as well as my own, please, dear Mr. Editor, spare us the infliction of any more ghost stories from Mr. B.; for it was through listening to similar tales that demented the intellectual Owen, and the poet Gerald Massey, and has muddled and crazed hundreds more, especially in the United States. Your correspondent boasts of his wife's "development" as a medium; but let him beware of such "developments." For while I would not dare, from delicacy, to refer to his estimable partner in this connection, he has not justified the allusion by making her name liable to public criticism in his letters, yet we think it is not an impertinent reference to that account, and we repeat, that he ought to have enough of such "developments," when it is a notorious fact that many a forsaken and exasperated husband has had bitter cause to curse those said "developments." For through them the partner of his life has had her marriage vows, at the altar of God, having left husband and children in a ruined and desolate home because, forsooth, she had received another revelation, and this was but fol lowing the lead of the "medium" who, at the altar of God, had sworn to be true and faithful. Being a personal acquaintance of Mr. B.'s, no one more heartily deprecates any ill-developed result of his "seances" than your humble servant; and having known the good wife of his neighbor, I vouch for, is more real and substantial than the stories of the spirits, which are said to dance attendance there. I conclude by wishing that Mr. B. and his household all live long enough to outgrow their infatuation, and hope, in the meantime, they will keep their diversions and jokes to themselves.

A SUBSCRIBER.

A Pacific Pilmsoll.

A correspondent of the San Francisco 'Post' writes thus of

PHINEAS HUDSON.

The loss of the steamship Pacific suggests the name I put over this paragraph. Not because this loss is attributable, perhaps, to any neglect concerning which he was a specific complainer, but because the boat belonged to a class of ocean coffins, of which he often sought to make public warning.

A law of the United States, passed in 1858, provides that the combings of a steamship shall not approach the smokestack nearer than 18 inches. With that law in his hand, Hudson applied to a daily newspaper editor in San Francisco for leave to raise the alarm against the Golden Gate. The 'Bulletin' editor replied: 'No, we can't publish your communications, you appear to be a quarrelsome man.' A few weeks thereafter the ship was consumed by fire. The flames caught in the combings!

And one day Phineas Hudson went to Mr. Nesbit and desired him to insert a communication warning people against the Brother Jonathan, Hudson asserting that her bottom was rotten and would drop out of her. "No," was the reply, "you seem to be a quarrelsome man." Mr. Nesbit shortly afterwards embarked on board the Brother Jonathan on her last voyage. It was reported that the vessel struck a rock; and the United States surveying party ran around the designated locality for many days. But no rock was discovered. The fact was, the bottom did drop out—the fore yard coming down squarely athwart the forecastle.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.—G. W. A. Lange, in informing his customers here in British Columbia as well as on Puget Sound of the removal of his place of business from Yates street to Government street, opposite the Savings Bank, Victoria, British Columbia, thanks them sincerely for past favors and respectfully solicits their future patronage. Do not omit to read his general advertisement.

THOS. WILSON & Co., dry goods merchants, respectfully request that all accounts due to the Firm may be settled during the present month, owing to a change, now pending, in the proprietorship of the business.

The Canadian Pacific Railroad Indefinitely Postponed.

(San Francisco Bulletin.)

The Government of the Dominion of Canada has evidently been trifling with the province of British Columbia, ever since the Act of Confederation was consummated. It required a good deal of coaxing on the part of Canada, and considerable pressure on the part of the Imperial Government, to prevail on the isolated Pacific province to relinquish its independence and submissively accept the yoke of the Dominion. And its consent could not have been obtained on any other condition than the construction of a transcontinental railway, traversing the British North American possessions from ocean to ocean, to be completed within a specified time. British Columbia, indeed, very imperatively insisted on the insertion of a clause in the Articles of Confederation declaring that work should actually be commenced within two years after the act of union went into effect. The brunt of the expense was to be borne by the Dominion Government, or, in other words by the eastern provinces. Their gain for the contemplated outlay was a doubtful one at best. Few disinterested people could see anything in it beyond the mere gratification of a questionable ambition for territorial aggrandisement. So far as British Columbia was concerned, without the fulfilment of the prime condition of the bond of union, the relinquishment of its colonial independence was a positive loss—a political disaster.

None but enthusiasts, whose credulity overshadowed their reason, could have sincerely believed the Dominion Government could afford to keep faith with the Pacific province by carrying out such a gigantic enterprise. Neither did the country—an untamed wilderness—require it, nor did the necessities of British commerce demand it. There was nothing strange in the conduct of the Dominion Government when the time came for the fulfilment of the initial obligation. In the contract, for it to prove delinquent—nothing remarkable that it should seek to obtain a material general excuse. Nor will it take most people by surprise to learn of its determination to back out of every obligation it has assumed, and declare its intention now to build the transcontinental railroad.

The latest manifesto represented by telegraph to have been issued by the Government at Ottawa announces the indefinite abandonment of the railroad project. It even goes so far as to state that the section between Victoria and Nanaimo, which was recent compromise measure accepted by the provincial and the Dominion Governments with the approval of the Imperial Government, is now abandoned. The Dominion now proposes to indemnify British Columbia by the payment to it of \$750,000.

The departure of the Dominion of Canada from the spirit of the letter of the Act of Confederation, and the subsequent amendments, leaves British Columbia, commercially, just where it was before the political union was effected. In a financial as well as political sense it is worse off. It is now saddled with an expensive system, not of its making, and taxation has increased correspondingly. Return to its former position is impracticable. The joint Government, which has been working faithfully in the interest of the province, the Dominion—her voided the fetters beyond a possibility of severance. It was an easy matter to slip into the confederation, but to wriggle out will prove a formidable undertaking. In view of the change of affairs it will be interesting now to watch what steps the wronged Province will take. The recently elected Legislature is largely of an independent and Opposition complexion, and may adopt measures which will cause concern at Ottawa.

Canadian Mail.

(Per steamship Salvador.)

OTTAWA, Nov. 30.—Mr. Geoffrion is now able to walk out. He is expected to be able to come to Ottawa for a day or two, but it is not yet certain. Mr. A. H. Foster arrived in Ottawa last night. He states that the work on the Canada Central railway extension is being pushed forward with vigour. The bridge over the Ottawa river, which it was feared some difficulty would be encountered in obtaining a good foundation, has been completed, and he is sanguine of having the road ready for trains to run into Ottawa in January or February. A party of Pacific Railway surveyors left the city to-day for Lake Nipissing. They will remain under canvas during the winter.

CHRISTMAS ROAST BEEF.—Messrs. Stafford & Goodacre having been for some time back stall-feeding some prime British Columbia cattle are now commencing to kill for Christmas. They can guarantee their patrons some of the finest beef and mutton that ever came to the Island, and desire nothing more earnestly than that the public should come and inspect their stock, being certain that all who look will buy.

Lord Houghton.

HOW HE WAS INTERVIEWED AT WASHINGTON.

(From the Washington Capital.)

Lord Houghton—old 'Outon,' as he is lovingly called—has been upon a visit to Washington, the guest of Sir Edward and Lady Thornton. The most entertaining event that marked our noble buffer's visit was an attempt made by a newspaper man to get his views.

Lord H. was sitting in the elegant drawing rooms of the English Legation, when a card was brought in and handed to the solemn old subject of Her Gracious Majesty. Supposing the card to represent some one of the several distinguished Americans to whom he had been introduced, 'Outon' said, "Show the gentleman in."

This was not at all necessary, for the gentleman had shown himself in, being at the heels of the servant. He was a slender, keen-eyed looking youth of 40 or thereabouts, and advancing briskly he seized 'Outon's' right hand, and working it up and down like a pump handle, he cried cheerily:

"How are ye, me Lord? Hope you're well. Hope me Lady Houghton is well; and all the young Houghtons, how are they?"

Old 'Outon' fairly gasped for breath as he gazed like a featherless owl at the lively intruder.

"Beg your pardon, my Lord; forget to tell you; I am Jenkins of the daily newspaper—largest circulation of any journal in the world—was telegraphed to day to get your views."

"My views?" "Exactly, distinguished nobleman—name written in the annals of fame. American people anxious to have your views."

"Gawd bless my soul!" grasped the sufferer.

"Yes, precisely; no doubt He will. But we did not want so much a theological expression of your views as a political or social one, you see. Now what is your view as to the course of England, in case we call Spain of account for her brutal treatment of Cuba?"

Lord Houghton gazed about him bewildered. He was alone—rather old and fluff. It was dreadful—worse than a first-class carriage with a woman in it. The reporter mistook the look, of course.

"Oh, never fear, we are alone; Thornton won't hear us, and it makes no difference if he did. Now, what course will England take in case we make the demand?"

"Gawd bless my soul," responded Lord Houghton, "I don't know." "Exactly—that's it exactly; wait a bit while I note it down," and then he wrote. "Now, here it is," he added, reading:—"Lord Houghton says it will be extremely problematic what will be the course of the English Ministry in case the Government of the United States should demand a cessation of hostilities in Cuba, or recognize belligerent rights in the patriots."

Then the reporter added:—"You see, my Lord, I like a gentleman I interview to read all I report, so he can have no cause for complaint. So much for Cuba. Now, my Lord, has the visit of the Prince of Wales to India any political significance?"

"Gawd bless my soul, how should I know?"

"There, there—all right," and he wrote:—"Lord Houghton says it is not known to him or in England whether the Prince of Wales' visit to India has any political significance, the Ministry being very close on that point."

"Now, my Lord, had it any social significance? Wales, you know, was a wild boy, and it may be necessary to get him out of England. What is your view on that point?"

"Gawd bless my soul, how should I know?"

"Wait a bit, my Lord, wait a bit; this is of importance," and then he wrote and read:—"Lord Houghton, however, said further that the supposition expressed that Wales had been sent out of England to break off a sad but disgraceful domestic infidelity."

At that point poor old Houghton fell back in a fit, fortunately tumbling into an arm-chair. The enterprising reporter hurried to a table where a bottle of wine and some glasses were. He drank three and then threw the fourth in the face of the Lord. Lord Houghton revived with a yell that brought in the entire force of the Legation.

'Lord Houghton,' said the reporter, putting away his notes and taking his hat from the door, 'had an attack of apoplexy while giving me some very important views; better put him in mustard and a hot brick to the small of his aristocratic back. He'll be better in a day or so; then I will call and finish the interview.' And then he withdrew, leaving the diplomatic bulls in a perfect maze of astonishment.

PHILIP JAMES, M. D., Physician and Accoucheur of 45 years' experience, offers his services to the inhabitants of Victoria. Extracts Polypus and Cancer without the use of the knife. Rheumatic pains cured in one hour. Pandora street, above the Synagogue.

Mrs. James presents her compliments to the ladies of Victoria as a practical Midwife of 20 years experience.

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DRY GOODS FOR WINTER TRADE.—Just received at Albion House, Winceys, Foh. Merinos, Foy Dress Goods, New Shawls, Furs in Choice Variety, Straw and Felt Hats, Blankets, Sheetings, Silk Mantle Velvets, Skirts, Umbrellas, Hosiery, Gentlemen's Underclothing in complete assortment; Waterproof Tweeds, Boys' Suits, Flannels, &c., &c. Also, a fresh supply of the "Raymond" Sewing Machine, and a few choice "Pianofortes" now landing ex Prince Rupert. —A. B. GRAY & Co., Government street, Victoria, 20th Nov., 1875.

NOTICE.—I have this day sold my business in Victoria to Mr. C. E. Redfern, whom I recommend to the favorable consideration of my customers, and I hope they will extend to him the same patronage that they have hitherto so liberally bestowed upon me. I shall remain with Mr. Redfern till after the new year.

J. L. JUNGERMANN, Dec. 1st, 1875.

OLD CHICORY is almost a thing of the past. Finlayson's Coffee presides over the present. It has now superseded what used to be claimed as "superior to any other manufactured on this coast," and will soon be found on every well-furnished table in the Province. Prepared at his premises on Port street, and sold by all the principal dealers.

G. W. A. LANGE.
WATCHMAKER
AND
JEWELLER,
GOVERNMENT ST.,
VICTORIA, B. C.
Has now on hand and receives by every steamer most elegant goods consisting of an endless variety of all descriptions of
Watches and Jewelry, Silver and Silver
Plated Ware and Clocks.
It would be useless for him to say any more. You must see for yourself and you will be convinced that his stock is of the
CHOICEST SELECTION & BEST QUALITY,
And that you cannot buy the same class of goods cheaper anywhere north of San Francisco.
REMEMBER that all goods are of his personal selection and of the Latest Styles. NO OLD UNASSORTED STOCK will be found in his store.
The Watch and Chronometer Work will be attended to as usual in the most accurate manner.
G. W. A. LANGE.

Hotels, Saloons, &c.
TEMPERANCE HOTEL.
MRS. BILLINGS & CO.
HAVING LEASED THE FIREBRICK building, corner of Fort and Douglas str have refurnished the same and will open it on
Monday, March 8th,
As a First-class Boarding House, and by strict attention to business hope to receive a share of public patronage. No pains will be spared in securing the comfort and accommodation of guests.
Single Meals..... 37 cts.
Dues, (per night)..... 60 cts.
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COLONIAL HOTEL
TRANSFERRING TO THE
Driand House,
VIEW ST., VICTORIA.
First-Class Hotel and Restaurant.
SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION FOR FAMILIES.
Private Dining Rooms and Parlors.
BILLIARDS.
Nothing will be spared to render the guests as comfortable as any house on the Pacific Coast.
None but the very best (directly imported) Wines, Liqueurs and Cigars will be dispensed in this establishment.
J. B. LUCAS, Proprietor.
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ANGEL HOTEL,
LANCLEY STREET,
LATE BAILEY'S LATE EBERHARDT
CHARLES MORTON, PROPRIETOR.
The Scale of Charges:
Board and Lodging per Week..... \$ 6 00
do do per Day..... 1 00
Board per Week..... 6 00
Single Meals..... 37 1/2
Dues..... 60
The Bar is well supplied with the best Wines, Liqueurs and Cigars.
A Fireproof Safe in the House. oc 28 dwt

California HOTEL,
Brick Building, Wharf Street,
Nearest the Steamboat Landing, between Yates and Johnson street.
THIS HOTEL HAS BEEN THOROUGHLY RE- fitted and furnished throughout. Spring and Hair Mattresses.
Superior Accommodation for Families.
BOARD & LODGING PER WEEK \$6.
del3 P. MURPHY, Proprietor.

GLOBE HOTEL,
FORT STREET, Near Government.
THE UNDERSIGNED HAVING OPENED this establishment in public, to receive and accommodate the traveling public with
GOOD BEDS.
Board \$5 per week. Best of Wines, Liqueurs, etc., dispensed at the bar.
CHARLES MARTIN, se10
Victoria, B.C., Sept. 9, 1875.

ST. GEORGE HOTEL,
Government Street,
BETWEEN YATES AND JOHNSON, VICTORIA, B. C.
Built of Brick, Newly Furnished, has First-Class Accommodations
AT LOWEST RATES.
Jas JOHN J. JACOBS, Proprietor.
Pacific Telegraph Hotel,
STORE STREET, BETWEEN HERALD AND FISGARD
Victoria, B. C.

Andrew Astrico, - - Proprietor
THE MOST COMMODIOUS AND CLEAN Hotel in Victoria. It is conducted on the European principle. The table is supplied with the very best of the market affords
SEALS at all hours of the day. Private Dining Rooms for Families.
CHARGES—Board and Lodging per Week, \$5 50 to \$6 50; Board and Lodging per Day \$1. Single Meals, 75 cents; Beds, 50 cents; Bathing, 25 cents.
Terms—Cash in advance.
Fire-proof safe in the House. fe 18 3m

ST. NICHOLAS HOTEL,
GOVERNMENT STREET,
TREHAR & HEMENOVER, - - PROPRIETORS.
TWO NEW BILLIARD TABLES
FURNISHED WITH
Phelan's Patent Fast Wire Cushions
Billiard players should give them a trial. The Fastest Tables in the City.
The Best of WINES, LIQUORS and CIGARS at the Bar.

Frank Pagden & Co.
(Late Plummer & Pagden.)
AUCTIONEERS,
APPRAISERS, ACCOUNTANTS &
COMMISSION AGENTS,
Wharf Street, Victoria
BEG TO ANNOUNCE THAT THEY HAVE taken the large building on Wharf Street, opposite the foot of Yates Street. From their long experience in the above branches of business, and promptness and attention they hope to secure a share of the public support.
Stocks, Stock in Trade or Furniture purchased for cash.
Liberal advances made on Consignments.
Books kept or audited, balance sheets made out for tenants, prepared and general accountants' business confidentially transacted. del7

REMOVAL!
F. NEUFELDER & CO.
Have removed to the Store
Corner of Yates and Wharf streets,
(Lately occupied by Messrs. Sutro & Co.)
And will continue to import Choice Brands of
Havana Cigars, Tobacco,
GROCERIES, CLOTHING, &c.
AGENTS FOR
Levi Strauss & Co's Patent Clothing.
Pacific Glove Factory. no21 1m

HENRY RHODES & CO.,
(Successors to JANION RHODES & CO.)
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
STORE STREET, VICTORIA, B. C.
AGENTS—Northern Insurance Co.
AGENTS—Liverpool Board of Underwriters.
Night School.
A NIGHT SCHOOL WILL BE OPENED next Monday evening (Nov. 15th), in the Grammar School Building on View Street. Classes will then be formed in Arithmetic, Book-keeping, &c. Three sessions a week. Terms \$2 50 per month. Those intending to join are requested to communicate either in person between the hours of three and half-past at the Grammar School, or through the Postoffice with
WALTER F. JONES, M. A. no10

HEE GEE.
WASHING, IRONING & FLUTING
HAS REMOVED TO YATES STREET
opposite the American Hotel.
Has had ten years experience in the best Laundries in the United States upon the most difficult work.
SATISFACTION GUARANTEED AND LOW RATES.
del 3m

Dentistry.
C. F. Barnard, M. D.,
DENTIST,
OFFICE AND RESIDENCE:
DOUGLAS STREET,
Between Dr. Powell's premises and Wilson's Tea Store.
VICTORIA, May 11th, 1875.

R. B. THOMPSON,
DENTIST,
Office, - - Occidental Building,
(Up Stairs.)
Cor. GOVERNMENT & FORT STS.,
VICTORIA, B. C.

JUST ARRIVED!
In Excellent Order, and for Sale by
P. T. JOHNSTON & CO.,
(Successors to Mitchell & Johnston.)
A CHOICE ASSORTMENT OF
Dutch Bulbs,
COMPRISING,
Hyalinths, Tulips, Crocus, Snow-
drops, Narcissus, &c.,
Always on Assortment of
Nursery Stock of all descriptions, Green-
house Plants, Farm & Garden Seeds,
And every requisite pertaining to the Seed and Nursery business.
For further particulars see Printed Catalogues, which will be forwarded post free on application.
SEED STORE, NURSERY
Occidental Building, Fort St. Gadsden Bay Road.
no23 dwtm

R. BAKER & SON,
DEALERS IN
FLOUR AND FEED
—AND—
Island & Oregon Produce
WHARF STREET, foot of Yates,
VICTORIA.
Cash Paid for Produce of all kinds. Goods delivered Free of Charge to any part of the city. no5

J. W. WILLIAMS,
CONTRACTOR AND BUILDER,
RESIDENCE:
Fisgard St., adjoining J. P. Davies.
HEREBY GIVES NOTICE THAT HE will not be responsible for any debts contracted unless in his written order. no10

HAVANA CIGARS.
50,000 CHOICE CIGARS, VARI-
ous Brands, direct from Havana.
For sale in lots to suit by
STANISCHMIDT & CO.,
Wharf Street.
no21

Spectacles
RENDERED USELESS!
Natural Sight Restored &
Preserved to the Last
Period of Life,
And for the Cure of all Diseases of
the Eye.
DR. BALL & Co's, of New York,
Patent Improved Ivory and Lignum Vitae
Eye Cups,
With Myopic Attachments for Near-sightedness.
FOR SALE BY
JOHN GERRITSEN,
Humboldt St., Victoria.
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FURNITURE.
CROCKERY.
GLASSWARE
Cutlery, Carpets,
And all kinds of
HOUSE FURNISHING GOODS,
—AT—
Mansell & Holroyd's,
Corner of Yates and Douglas Street.
no20

Barnard's Express.
WINTER ARRANGEMENT.
COMMENCING MONDAY, 6th INST., OUR Express will close at this office at 6 o'clock on Monday evenings in place of Thursdays, as heretofore. The Express from Cariboo will be due here on Saturdays, as during Summer season.
F. J. BARNARD & CO.
Office—Yates street. del 1m

A. Casamayou & Co.,
YATES ST., VICTORIA.
COMMISSION MERCHANTS AND WHOLE-
sale Dealers in
GROCERIES, PROVISIONS, HAVANA CIGARS,
Wines, Liqueurs, &c.,
And French Preserves.
EX PRINCE RUPERT.
PIANOFORTES—Cottage.
MANUFACTURED BY KIRKMAN & SONS,
Scho Square, London.
For sale by
STANISCHMIDT & CO.,
Agents for British Columbia. no21

REMOVAL.
R. Maynard,
HAVING REMOVED HIS
BOOT, SHOE AND LEATHER
STORE
TO THE COR. OF DOUGLAS & JOHNSON STS.
now prepared to receive orders for every descrip-
tion of
BOOTS AND SHOES.
Parties in the Trade can be supplied with all kinds of
FRENCH KIP AND CALF,
UPPERS IN GREAT VARIETY,
Also, SEWING MACHINES adapted for Shoemakers.
my20 3m CASH PAID FOR HIDES. 3m

Ships and Steamers.
The Stmr. "Enterprise"
WILL ONLY MAKE ONE TRIP ON THE
Christmas and following week, leaving Vic-
toria on Tuesday the 31st and returning on the 23rd,
and on the 28th, returning on the 30th. delo
NOTICE.
NEITHER THE MASTER NOR THE UN-
dermanned will be responsible for any debts
contracted by the crew of the ship "Dover".
SPROAT & CO., Consignees.
Victoria, 19th Nov., 1875. no20

NOTICE.
NEITHER CAPT. SCARBOROUGH NOR
the undersigned agents for the Bark Longford
from Liverpool, will be responsible for any debts
contracted by the crew of the said vessel.
For the Hudson Bay Co.,
no19 WILLIAM CHARLES.

NOTICE.
NEITHER THE MASTER NOR THE UN-
dermanned will be responsible for any debts
contracted by the crew of the "Unalika".
SPROAT & CO., Consignees.
12th November, 1875. no13
**THE PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY'S**
STEAMERS
WILL SAIL FROM VICTORIA FOR
San Francisco Direct
ON THE
10th & 18th December, and on the
3rd & 18th January,
At 12 o'clock, Noon.
When the sailing day falls on Sunday the Steamers
will sail the day after, so as to connect with the
steamers from San Francisco.
HENRY RHODES & CO., Agents.
del7

JOHN WEILER,
Cor. Fort and Broad Streets,
RECEIVED EX "BLANCHE" AND OTHER AR-
rivals from San Francisco,
**Dinner, Breakfast and
Tea Sets,**
And a General Assortment of CROCKERY,
OILCLOTH from 1/2 to 6 yards wide,
CARPETS, COCOA MATTING,
And the celebrated Hartshorn Spring Blinds,
WALLPAPER,
From 12 1/2 cents to \$2 50 a Roll, English Length.
Also on hand and made to order by competent per-
sons.
JOHN WEILER.
SPRING MATTRESSES,
LOUNGES, PARLOR SETS,
Carpets Sewed and Laid
Curtains, Blinds, Draperies and Curtains made and
up. Wallpaper hung at reasonable rates and at
short notice.
JOHN WEILER.
NOTICE.
MR. A. CLYDE & T. MATTHEWS
Having bought G. C. Gerow's
**BLACKSMITH & WHEELWRIGHT
SHOP,**
ARE PREPARED TO RECEIVE ALL ORDERS
IN THAT LINE OF BUSINESS.
Jobbing promptly Attended to.
del2 3m

DR. J. W. TREAT'S
INDEFATIGABLE 3-MINUTE CORN KIL-
ler. Extracts Corns, Warting, Bunions and Moles,
and all excrescences.
Dr. Treat's Nerve Killer cures Toothache in one
minuto.
Dr. Treat's Cal. Soap and Tooth Paste removes
Tartar, Calculi and all extraneous matter from the
teeth almost immediately without injury to the
enamel.
Can be had of all the Druggists in town.
LANGLEY & CO.,
Druggists, Yates Street, Victoria.
Agents for British Columbia. del 3m

J. SEHL,
Importer and Manufacturer of
FURNITURE
Mirrors, Mouldings, Picture Frames
REVERSIBLE PERAMBULATORS,
CARVED BRACKETS, &c.
In every variety direct from the Eastern Manufac-
turers, which he offers for sale at
Prices which defy Competition.
Lamps, Bird Cages, Door Mats,
Cocoa Matting, 4, 5 & 6-4 China do.
Rosewood, Mahogany, and Walnut Lum-
ber, &c., &c.
Also on hand a First Class
POCKET BILLIARD TABLE
With Marble Bed and everything complete, to be
sold at a very LOW PRICE.
J. SEHL,
GOVERNMENT STREET,
Between Fort and Bastion.
no10

THOS. TROUNCE,
Architect, &c.,
OFFICE, ON KANE ST. ABOVE DOUGLAS.
PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS CARE-
fully prepared for Public Buildings or Private Re-
sidences, and the usual business of an Architect
promptly executed.
del 3m

Information
WILL BE THANKFULLY RECEIVED AT
the U. S. Consulate concerning any person or
persons, citizens of the United States of America,
who are known to have been passengers on the last
steamer Pacific, especially relative to persons who
had previously arrived here from Canada and other
mining districts in this Province. delo

New Advertisements.
A. GILMORE,
MERCHANT TAILOR,
Has now removed to his new Store on Government Street, opposite the Bank
of British Columbia, where he has on hand a Large and well-selected Stock,
comprising Custom Made Clothing of the best quality in Victoria; also,
Gents' Furnishing Goods, together with a well-selected Stock of Youth's,
Boys' and Children's Clothing, comprising Cloaks, Overcoats, Hats, Caps,
&c., which will be sold at a Small Advance on Cost.
I would call particular attention to my New and Superior Stock of Fine
English and French Cloths of the Best Quality, and consisting of Pilot, Wit-
ney, Melton and Buffalo Beaver, together with a Splendid Assortment of
Tweeds, Flannels, etc., of all colors, which I am prepared to Make to Order
in the most approved styles.
N. B.—\$50 Reward to any Merchant in Victoria who will sell the same
quality of goods for less profit than
de5
A. GILMORE.

NEW GOODS
HENRY SHORT,
Gun & Rifle Maker,
FORT ST., opp. Scotch House,
Has received from London direct, a Large Assortment of
DOUBLE AND SINGLE BARRELLED GUNS,
Central Fire Breech-Loaders,
FISHING TACKLE IN GREAT VARIETY,
Pocket and Sporting Cutlery, Powder Flasks, Shot Pouches, Game
Bags, Cartridge Belts, Apparatus for Filling Cartridges for
Breech-loaders and a full assortment of Gun Tackle.
GUNS MADE TO ORDER. REPAIRING NEATLY EXECUTED.
sell

NOTICE--REMOVAL
H. MANSELL
Has Removed his Business to his new brick store on GOVERNMENT St., op-
posite the Colonist Office, where can be found one of the Largest and
most varied
STOCK OF BOOTS & SHOES
In British Columbia, which will be SOLD CHEAP FOR CASH!
GENTS' BOOTS Made to Order in the most approved style.
REPAIRING Neatly and Quickly Done. jy10

AGRICULTURAL & HORTICULTURAL SOC'Y OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.
Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the Year 1875.

RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURE.
To Balance from last year..... \$ 97 25	By Sundry Expenses..... \$118 37
Government Grant..... 200 00	Mr. Ross, for Printing Cards..... 21 00
Subscriptions..... 450 75	"Standard" Printing and Advertising..... 20 00
Entries on Exhibitions..... 2 60	"Golden Age" Advertising..... 7 50
Amount taken at door on day of Show..... 175 00	Mr. Schaffer, for Binding..... 42 00
Donations from F. Saunders..... 50 00	Davies & Co., for use of Cattle Yard..... 50 00
Sale of Ball and Dinner Tickets..... 61 00	Mechanics Institute, for use of Hall..... 26 00
	Ball and Dinner Subscriptions..... 40 00
	Mr. Vedder, for Dispersal..... 75 00
	Amount for Prizes..... 614 50
	Balance..... 52 12
	\$1067 00

VICTORIA, 4th Dec., 1875.
We hereby certify that we have examined the books of the Secretary and find the above statement to be
correct.
(Signed) T. ALLSOP, Secretary.
H. MURCHELL.

PHELPS, WADLEIGH & CO.
Wholesale and Retail
BUTCHERS
Alhambra Building, Government St.,
[OPPOSITE POSTOFFICE, VICTORIA, B. C.]
YOUR FAVORS SOLICITED.
VICTORIA, Sept. 17, 1875. se5

Copartnership Notice.
THE UNDERSIGNED HAVE THIS DAY EN-
tered into copartnership and will carry on the
business of Plumbing, Gas Fitting, Bell Hanging, &c.
JOHN STEWART,
JOHN BRADEN.

STEWART & BRADEN,
GASFITTERS,
PLUMBERS AND BELLHANGERS,
Yates Street, above Government.
Ship and House Plumbing in all its
Branches.
The above-named having received a splendid assort-
ment of
**ENGLISH AND AMERICAN
GAS AND WATER FIXTURES,**
Are prepared to execute all orders satisfactorily.
J. STEWART, in returning thanks for the
patronage extended to him during the past three
years, begs to assure his patrons that by as-
sociating himself with Mr. Braden he has greatly in-
creased his facilities for executing work. del

New Canadian Tariff.
COPIES OF THE NEW CANADIAN TAR-
IFF, Officially Revised, may be had at
THE BRITISH COLONIST OFFICE.

CLEARANCE SALE!!
—OF—
WAGONS, BARROWS, GIGS,
Perambulators,
Sleighs, Chair-Horses, Drums and
TOYS IN GREAT VARIETY!!
Fancy Articles
AND OTHER GOODS SUITABLE FOR
THE HOLIDAYS!!
Thos. Gorrie
BEING DETERMINED TO CLEAR OUT
his present Stock to make room for other goods
now on the way from the principal manufacturers of
Europe, has marked the whole of his stock and
will commence selling on Monday the 19th inst.
Call and Examine before Purchasing.
Address: THOS. GORRIE,
Pioneer Toy Store, Fort Street.
A Splendid Christmas Tree, with various
other Prizes, will be raffled on New Year's
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Mr. CHAS. PARDOE
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